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EIN: 95-6000736

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Cooperative Agreement

RECIPIENT TYPE: Send Payment Request to:

Municipal Las Vegas Finance Center, Fax (702) 798-2423

RECIPIENT: PAYE

City of Los Angeles Dept of Water and Power

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PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

Remedial Response Cooperative Agreement - San Fernando Valley Basin N Hollywood OU (NHOU)

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power shall operate and maintain a groundwater treatment facilitywhich is a Superfund Remedy in the North Hollywood vicinity of Los Angeles County to establish hydraulic containment of groundwater contamination in the San Fernando Basin (SFB) by volatile organic compounds (VOCs). This action meets the requirements of the San Fernando Valley (Area 1) Superfund Site Record of Decision dated September 24, 1987, for the North Hollywood Operable Unit. The contaminated groundwater is remediated to meet drinking water standards and is then served to the public in the greater Los Angeles area.

This assistance agreement provides partial federal funding in the amount of \$111,684.

BUDGET PERIOD	PROJECT PERIOD	TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST	TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST
09/28/2011 - 06/30/2013	09/28/2011 - 06/30/2013	\$1,054,469.00	\$1,054,469.00

NOTICE OF AWARD

Based on your Application dated 06/30/2011 including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby awards \$111,684. EPA agrees to cost-share % of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$111,684. Recipient's signature is not required on this agreement. The recipient demonstrates its commitment to carry out this award by either: 1) drawing down funds within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date; or 2) not filing a notice of disagreement with the award terms and conditions within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. If the recipient disagrees with the terms and conditions specified in this award, the authorized representative of the recipient must furnish a notice of disagreement to the EPA Award Official within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. In case of disagreement, and until the disagreement is resolved, the recipient should not draw down on the funds provided by this award/amendment, and any costs incurred by the recipient are at its own risk. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA regulatory and statutory provisions, all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.

ISSUING OFFICE (GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE)	AWARD APPROVAL OFFICE
ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS	ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS
U.S. EPA, Region 9	U.S. EPA, Region 9
Grants Branch, MSD-6	Superfund Division, SFD-1
75 Hawthorne Street	75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105	San Francisco, CA 94105

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Digital signature applied by EPA Award Official Carolyn Truong - Grants Management Officer

DATE
09/28/2011

EPA Funding Information

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FUNDS	FORMER AWARD	THIS ACTION	AMENDED TOTAL
EPA Amount This Action	\$	\$ 111,684	\$ 111,684
EPA In-Kind Amount	\$	\$	\$ 0
Unexpended Prior Year Balance	\$	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other Federal Funds	\$	\$ 0	\$ 0
Recipient Contribution	\$	\$ 105,469	\$ 105,469
State Contribution	\$	\$ 0	\$ 0
Local Contribution	\$	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other Contribution	\$	\$ 0	\$ 0
Allowable Project Cost	\$ 0	\$ 217,153	\$ 217,153

Assistance Program (CFDA)	Statutory Authority	Regulatory Authority
66.802 - Superfund State Political Subdivision and Indian Tribe Site Specific Cooperative Agreements		40 CFR PTS 31 & 35 SUBPT O
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Site Name	Req No	FY	Approp. Code	Budget Organization	PRC	Object Class	Site/Project	Cost Organization	Obligation / Deobligation
-	1109KRS103	11			302DD2E		09N1OM02		
									111,684

Budget Summary Page

Table A - Object Class Category (Non-construction)	Total Approved Allowable Budget Period Cost
1. Personnel	\$227,970
2. Fringe Benefits	\$180,965
3. Travel	\$0
4. Equipment	\$42,600
5. Supplies	\$0
6. Contractual	\$197,861
7. Construction	\$0
8. Other	\$348,287
9. Total Direct Charges	\$997,683
10. Indirect Costs: 25.00% Base Personnel	\$56,993
11. Total (Share: Recipient % Federal %.)	\$1,054,676
12. Total Approved Assistance Amount	\$111,684
13. Program Income	\$0
14. Total EPA Amount Awarded This Action	\$111,684
15. Total EPA Amount Awarded To Date	\$111,684

Administrative Conditions

1. Federal Financial Report (SF 425)

The final Federal Financial Report (FFR) covering the entire project period shall be submitted within 90 days after the end of the project period according to 40 CFR Part 31.23(b) and 31.41(b). The LVFC will make adjustments, as necessary, to obligated funds after reviewing and accepting a final Federal Financial Report. Recipients will be notified and instructed by EPA if they must complete any additional forms for the closeout of the assistance agreement.

For awards with cumulative project and budget periods greater than 12 months, an interim FFR covering the period from "project/budget period start date" to **June 30** of each calendar year shall be submitted to the U.S. EPA Las Vegas Finance Center, PO Box 98515, Las Vegas, NV 89193-8515, no later than **September 30** of the same calendar year.

2. Single Audit Act

In accordance with OMB Circular A-133, which implements the Single Audit Act, the recipient hereby agrees to obtain a single audit from an independent auditor, if it expends \$500,000 or more in total Federal funds in any fiscal year. Within nine months after the end of a recipient's fiscal year or 30 days after receiving the report from the auditor, the recipient shall submit the SF-SAC and a Single Audit Report Package. The recipient MUST submit the SF-SAC and a Single Audit Report Package using the Federal Audit Clearinghouse's Internet Data Entry System. For complete information on how to accomplish the single audit submissions, you will need to visit the Federal Audit Clearinghouse Web site: http://harvester.census.gov/fac/.

3. Central Contractor Registration and Universal Identifier Requirements

- A. Requirement for Central Contractor Registration (CCR). Unless you are exempted from this requirement under 2 CFR 25.110, you as the recipient must maintain the currency of your information in the CCR until you submit the final financial report required under this award or receive the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that you review and update the information at least annually after the initial registration, and more frequently if required by changes in your information or another award term.
- B. <u>Requirement for Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) numbers</u>. If you are authorized to make subawards under this award, you:
 - 1. Must notify potential subrecipients that no entity (see definition in paragraph C of this award term) may receive a subaward from you unless the entity has provided its DUNS number to you.
 - 2. May not make a subaward to an entity unless the entity has provided its DUNS number to you.
- C. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this award term:
 - 1. <u>Central Contractor Registration (CCR)</u> means the Federal repository into which an entity must provide information required for the conduct of business as a recipient. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the CCR Internet site (currently at http://www.ccr.gov).

- 2. <u>Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number</u> means the nine-digit number established and assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to uniquely identify business entities. A DUNS number may be obtained from D&B by telephone (currently 866-705-5711) or the Internet (currently at http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform).
- 3. Entity, as it is used in this award term, means all of the following, as defined at 2 CFR part 25, subpart C:
 - a. A Governmental organization, which is a State, local government, or Indian tribe;
 - b. A foreign public entity;
 - c. A domestic or foreign nonprofit organization;
 - d. A domestic or foreign for-profit organization; and
 - e. A Federal agency, but only as a subrecipient under an award or subaward to a non-Federal entity.

4. Subaward:

- a. This term means a legal instrument to provide support for the performance of any portion of the substantive project or program for which you received this award and that you as the recipient award to an eligible subrecipient.
- b. The term does not include your procurement of property and services needed to carry out the project or program (for further explanation, see Sec. --.210 of the attachment to OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations").
- c. A subaward may be provided through any legal agreement, including an agreement that you consider a contract.
- 5. Subrecipient means an entity that:
 - a. Receives a subaward from you under this award; and
 - b. Is accountable to you for the use of the Federal funds provided by the subaward.

4. Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation

- a. Reporting of first-tier subawards.
 - 1. <u>Applicability</u>. Unless you are exempt as provided in paragraph d. of this award term, you must report each action that obligates \$25,000 or more in Federal funds that does not include Recovery funds (as defined in section 1512(a)(2) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-5) for a subaward to an entity (see definitions in paragraph e of this award term).
 - 2. Where and when to report.
 - i. You must report each obligating action described in paragraph a.1. of this award term to www.fsrs.gov.
 - ii. For subaward information, report no later than the end of the month following the month in which the obligation was made. (For example, if the obligation was made on November 7, 2010, the obligation must be reported by no later than December 31, 2010.)
 - 3. What to report. You must report the information about each obligating action that the submission instructions posted at www.fsrs.gov specify.
- b. Reporting Total Compensation of Recipient Executives.
 - 1. <u>Applicability and what to report</u>. You must report total compensation for each of your five most highly compensated executives for the preceding completed fiscal year, if
 - i. The total Federal funding authorized to date under this award is \$25,000 or more;
 - ii. In the preceding fiscal year, you received—
 - (A) 80 percent or more of your annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
 - (B) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
 - iii. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives

through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at

http://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm.)

- 2. Where and when to report. You must report executive total compensation described in paragraph b.1. of this award term:
 - i. As part of your registration profile at www.ccr.gov.
 - ii. By the end of the month following the month in which this award is made, and annually thereafter.
- c. Reporting of Total Compensation of Subrecipient Executives.
 - 1. <u>Applicability and what to report</u>. Unless you are exempt as provided in paragraph d. of this award term, for each first-tier subrecipient under this award, you shall report the names and total compensation of each of the subrecipient's five most highly compensated executives for the subrecipient's preceding completed fiscal year, if
 - i. in the subrecipient's preceding fiscal year, the subrecipient received—
 - (A) 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
 - B) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts), and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act (and subawards); and
 - ii. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at http://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm.)
 - 2. Where and when to report. You must report subrecipient executive total compensation described in paragraph c.1. of this award term:
 - i. To the recipient.
 - ii. By the end of the month following the month during which you make the subaward. For example, if a subaward is obligated on any date during the month of October of a given year (i.e., between October 1 and 31), you must report any required compensation information of the subrecipient by November 30 of that year.
- d. <u>Exemptions</u>. If, in the previous tax year, you had gross income, from all sources, under \$300,000, you are exempt from the requirements to report:
 - i. subawards, and
 - ii. the total compensation of the five most highly compensated executives of any subrecipient.
- e. Definitions. For purposes of this award term:
 - 1. Entity means all of the following, as defined in 2 CFR part 25:
 - i. A Governmental organization, which is a State, local government, or Indian tribe;
 - ii. A foreign public entity;
 - iii. A domestic or foreign nonprofit organization;
 - iv. A domestic or foreign for-profit organization;
 - v. A Federal agency, but only as a subrecipient under an award or subaward to a non-Federal entity.
 - 2. <u>Executive</u> means officers, managing partners, or any other employees in management positions.
 - 3. Subaward:
 - i. This term means a legal instrument to provide support for the performance of any portion of the substantive project or program for which you received this award and that you as the

recipient award to an eligible subrecipient.

- ii. The term does not include your procurement of property and services needed to carry out the project or program (for further explanation, see Sec. --.210 of the attachment to OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations").
- iii. A subaward may be provided through any legal agreement, including an agreement that you or a subrecipient considers a contract.
- 4. Subrecipient means an entity that:
 - i. Receives a subaward from you (the recipient) under this award; and
 - ii. Is accountable to you for the use of the Federal funds provided by the subaward.
- 5. <u>Total compensation</u> means the cash and noncash dollar value earned by the executive during the recipient's or subrecipient's preceding fiscal year and includes the following (for more information see 17 CFR 229.402(c)(2)):
 - i. Salary and bonus .
 - ii. Awards of stock, stock options, and stock appreciation rights. Use the dollar amount recognized for financial statement reporting purposes with respect to the fiscal year in accordance with the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (Revised 2004) (FAS 123R), Shared Based Payments.
 - iii. Earnings for services under non-equity incentive plans. This does not include group life, health, hospitalization or medical reimbursement plans that do not discriminate in favor of executives, and are available generally to all salaried employees.
 - iv. Change in pension value. This is the change in present value of defined benefit and actuarial pension plans.
 - v. Above-market earnings on deferred compensation which is not tax-qualified .
 - vi. Other compensation, if the aggregate value of all such other compensation (e.g. severance, termination payments, value of life insurance paid on behalf of the employee, perquisites or property) for the executive exceeds \$10,000.

5. Trafficking in Persons

- a. Provisions applicable to a recipient that is a private entity
 - 1. You as the recipient, your employees, subrecipients under this award, and subrecipients' employees may not
 - i. Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect:
 - ii. Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect; or
 - iii. Use forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.
 - 2. We as the Federal awarding agency may unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if you or a subrecipient that is a private entity
 - i. Is determined to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term; or
 - ii. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the award to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term through conduct that is either—
 - A. Associated with performance under this award; or
 - B. Imputed to you or the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR part 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension
 - (Nonprocurement)," as implemented by our Agency at 2 CFR 1532.
- b. *Provision applicable to a recipient other than a private entity* . We as the Federal awarding agency may unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if a subrecipient that is a private entity—
 - 1. Is determined to have violated an applicable prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term; or
 - 2. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the award to have violated an applicable prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term through conduct that is either
 - i. Associated with performance under this award; or
 - ii. Imputed to the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR part 180, "OMB Guidelines to

Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," as implemented by our agency at 2 CFR 1532

- c. Provisions applicable to any recipient .
 - 1. You must inform us immediately of any information you receive from any source alleging a violation of a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term.
 - 2. Our right to terminate unilaterally that is described in paragraph a.2 or b of this section:
 - i. Implements section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)), and
 - ii. Is in addition to all other remedies for noncompliance that are available to us under this award.
 - 3. You must include the requirements of paragraph a.1 of this award term in any subaward you make to a private entity.
- d. Definitions . For purposes of this award term:
 - 1. "Employee" means either:
 - i. An individual employed by you or a subrecipient who is engaged in the performance of the project or program under this award; or
 - ii. Another person engaged in the performance of the project or program under this award and not compensated by you including, but not limited to, a volunteer or individual whose services are contributed by a third party as an in-kind contribution toward cost sharing or matching requirements.
 - 2. "Forced labor" means labor obtained by any of the following methods: the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.
 - 3. "Private entity":
 - i. Means any entity other than a State, local government, Indian tribe, or foreign public entity, as those terms are defined in 2 CFR 175.25.
 - ii. Includes:
 - A. A nonprofit organization, including any nonprofit institution of higher education, hospital, or tribal organization other than one included in the definition of Indian tribe at 2 CFR 175.25(b). B. A for-profit organization.
 - 4. "Severe forms of trafficking in persons," "commercial sex act," and "coercion" have the meanings given at section 103 of the TVPA, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7102).

6. Recycled Paper

In accordance with Executive Order 13423 (Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy and Transportation Management dated January 24, 2007), EPA Order 1000.25 and 40 CFR Part 30.16 (as applicable), the recipient shall use recycled paper and double sided printing for all reports which are prepared as a part of this agreement and delivered to EPA. This requirement does not apply to reports prepared on forms supplied by EPA, or to Standard Forms, which are printed on recycled paper and are available through the General Services Administration. The recipient shall give preference in its procurement programs funded with Federal funds to the purchase of recycled products pursuant to EPA's guidelines, as applicable.

Any State agency or agency of a political subdivision of a State shall also comply with the requirements set forth in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Section 6002 (42 U.S.C. 6962), which requires that preference be given in procurement programs to the purchase of specific products containing recycled materials identified in guidelines developed by EPA under 40 CFR Part 247. Regulations issued under RCRA Section 6002 apply to any acquisition of an item where the purchase price exceeds \$10,000 or where the quantity of such items acquired in the course of the preceding fiscal year was \$10,000 or more.

7. Hotel and Motel Fire Safety

The recipient agrees to ensure that all conference, meeting, convention, or training funded in whole or in

part with Federal funds complies with the protection and control guidelines of the Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act (PL 101-391, as amended). Recipients may search the Hotel-Motel National Master List at http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/applications/hotel/ to see if a property is in compliance (FEMA ID is currently not required), or to find other information about the Act. (Refer to 40 CFR Part 30.18 and 15 U.S.C. 2225a, as applicable.)

8. Drug-Free Workplace

The recipient organization of this EPA assistance agreement must make an ongoing, good faith effort to maintain a drug-free workplace pursuant to the specific requirements set forth in Title 40 CFR 36.200 - 36.230. Additionally, in accordance with these regulations, the recipient organization must identify all known workplaces under its federal awards, and keep this information on file during the performance of the award. Those recipients who are individuals must comply with the drug-free provisions set forth in Title 40 CFR 36.300.

The consequences for violating this condition are detailed under Title 40 CFR 36.510. Recipients can access the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 40 Part 36 at http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_06/40cfr36_06.html.

9. Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters

The recipient shall fully comply with Subpart C of 2 CFR Part 180 and 2 CFR Part 1532, entitled "Responsibilities of Participants Regarding Transactions (Doing Business with Other Persons)." The recipient is responsible for ensuring that any lower tier covered transaction as described in Subpart B of 2 CFR Part 180 and 2 CFR Part 1532, entitled "Covered Transactions," includes a term or condition requiring compliance with Subpart C. The recipient is responsible for further requiring the inclusion of a similar term or condition in any subsequent lower tier covered transactions. The recipient acknowledges that failing to disclose the information as required at 2 CFR 180.335 may result in the delay or negation of this assistance agreement, or pursuance of legal remedies, including suspension and debarment.

Recipient may access the Excluded Parties List System at www.epls.gov. This term and condition supersedes EPA Form 5700-49, "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters."

10. Reimbursement Limitation

EPA's financial obligations to the recipient are limited by the amount of federal funding awarded to date as shown on line 15 in its EPA approved budget. If the recipient incurs costs in anticipation of receiving additional funds from EPA, it does so at its own risk.

11. Management Fees

Management fees or similar charges in excess of the direct costs and approved indirect rates are not allowable. The term "management fees or similar charges" refers to expenses added to the direct costs in order to accumulate and reserve funds for ongoing business expenses, unforeseen liabilities, or for other similar costs which are not allowable under this assistance agreement. Management fees or similar charges may not be used to improve or expand the project funded under this agreement, except to the extent authorized as a direct cost of carrying out the scope of work.

12. Lobbying and Litigation Prohibition

The recipient shall ensure that no grant funds awarded under this assistance agreement are used to engage in lobbying of the Federal Government or in litigation against the United States unless authorized under existing law. The recipient shall abide by 2 CFR 225 (OMB Circular A-87), which prohibits the use of federal grant funds for litigation against the United States or for lobbying or other political activities.

The recipient agrees to comply with Title 40 CFR Part 34, *New Restrictions on Lobbying*. The recipient shall include the language of this provision in award documents for all subawards exceeding \$100,000, and require that subrecipients submit certification and disclosure forms accordingly. In accordance with the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, any recipient who makes a prohibited expenditure under Title 40 CFR Part 34 or fails to file the required certification or lobbying forms shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such expenditure.

13. Utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises

The recipient agrees to comply with the requirements of EPA's Program for Utilization of Small, Minority and Women's Business Enterprises in procurement under assistance agreements as set forth in 40 CFR Part 33. The EPA DBE rule can be accessed at http://www.epa.gov/osbp. In addition, the recipient agrees to make good faith efforts whenever procuring construction, equipment, services and supplies under an EPA assistance agreement, and to ensure that sub-recipients, loan recipients, and prime contractors also comply with 40 CFR Section 33.301. Records documenting compliance with the six good faith efforts shall be retained.

The recipient accepts the applicable MBE/WBE fair share objectives/goals negotiated with EPA by the **California State Water Resources Control Board (CA SWRCB)**, as follows:

	MBE	WBE
Construction	24%	6%
Equipment	22%	26%
Services	30%	31%
Supplies	29%	20%

By signing this financial assistance agreement, the recipient is accepting the fair share objectives/goals stated above and attests to the fact that it is purchasing the same or similar construction, supplies, services and equipment, in the same or similar relevant geographic buying market as California State Water Resources Control Board (CA SWRCB).

Pursuant to 40 CFR Section 33.404, the recipient has the option to negotiate its own MBE/WBE fair share objectives/goals. If the recipient wishes to negotiate its own MBE/WBE fair share objectives/goals, the recipient agrees to submit proposed MBE/WBE objectives/goals based on an availability analysis, or disparity study, of qualified MBEs and WBEs in their relevant geographic buying market for construction, services, supplies and equipment.

The submission of proposed fair share goals with the supporting analysis or disparity study means that the recipient is not accepting the fair share objectives/goals of another recipient. The recipient agrees to submit proposed fair share objectives/goals, together with the supporting availability analysis or disparity study to Joe Ochab, MTS-1, the Regional MBE/WBE Coordinator, within 120 days of acceptance of the financial assistance award. EPA will respond to the proposed fair share objectives/goals within 30 days of receiving the submission. If proposed fair share objectives/goals are not received within the 120 day time frame, the recipient may not expend its EPA funds for procurements until the proposed fair share objectives/goals are submitted.

A recipient of a Continuing Environmental Program Grant or other annual grant agrees to create and maintain a bidders list. A recipient of an EPA financial assistance agreement to

capitalize a revolving loan fund also agrees to require entities receiving identified loans to create and maintain a bidders list if the recipient of the loan is subject to, or chooses to follow, competitive bidding requirements. Refer to 40 CFR Section 33.501 (b) and (c) for specific requirements and exemptions.

14. MBE/WBE Utilization Report

The recipient agrees to complete and submit to the Grants Management Office, MTS-7, a MBE/WBE Utilization Report (EPA Form 5700-52A), within 30 days after the end of the **semi-annual** reporting period; i.e., by April 30 and October 30 of each calendar year. Negative reports are required. Recipients of financial assistance agreements that capitalize revolving loan programs agree to require entities receiving identified loans to submit their MBE/WBE participation reports on a semiannual basis to the financial assistance agreement recipient, rather than to EPA. Only procurements with certified MBE/WBEs are counted towards a recipient's MBE/WBE accomplishments. A final MBE/WBE report must be submitted within 90 days after the end of the project period. Your grant cannot be officially closed without all MBE/WBE reports. EPA Form 5700-52A may be obtained from the EPA Office of Small Business Program's Home Page on the internet at www.epa.gov/osbp.

15. Indirect Costs

The cost principles of 2 CFR Part 225 (OMB Circular A-87), "Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments," applies to this agreement.

If the recipient does not have a previously established indirect cost rate, it agrees that it will prepare its indirect cost rate proposal and/or cost allocation plan in accordance with OMB Circular A-87, "Cost Principles for State, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments." For proposal preparation, the recipient may use the appropriate completeness checklist located at: http://www.aqd.nbc.gov/services/ICS.aspx

The local government recipient whose cognizant federal agency has been designated by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) must develop and submit its indirect cost rate proposal to its cognizant agency within six (6) months after the close of the governmental unit's fiscal year. If the cognizant federal agency has not been identified by the OMB, the local government recipient must still develop (and when required, submit) its proposal within that period.

The interstate agency recipient must send its proposal to its cognizant federal agency within six (6) months after the end of its fiscal year. If EPA is the cognizant federal agency of the interstate agency, local government, or special district, the recipient must send its indirect cost rate proposal within six (6) months after the end of its fiscal year to:

Regular Mail

Office of Grants and Debarment U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, MC 3903R Washington, DC 20460 Attn: OGD Indirect Cost Rate Proposal Control Desk

Mail Courier (e.g. FedEx, UPS, etc.)

Office of Grants and Debarment
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, 5th floor
Washington, DC 20004
Attn: OGD Indirect Cost Rate Proposal Control Desk

Electronic submissions of proposals may be sent via email to OGD_IndirectCost@epa.gov.

Recipients are entitled to reimbursement of indirect costs, subject to any statutory or regulatory administrative cost limitations, if they have a current rate agreement or have submitted an indirect cost rate proposal to their cognizant federal agency for review and approval. Recipients are responsible for maintaining an approved indirect cost rate throughout the life of the award. Recipients may draw down grant funds once a rate has been approved, but only for indirect costs incurred during the period specified in the rate agreement. Recipients are not entitled to indirect costs for any period in which the rate has expired.

Recipients with differences between provisional and final rates are not entitled to more than the award amount. Recipients may request EPA approval to rebudget funds from direct cost categories to the indirect cost category (to grants which have not expired or been closed out) to cover increased indirect costs.

Pursuant to 40 CFR 31.26, recipient agrees to comply with the audit requirements prescribed in the Single Audit Act Amendments, and revised OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," including Subpart C Section 305(b) which addresses the restriction on auditors preparing indirect cost proposals.

16. ACORN Funding Prohibition

Congress has prohibited EPA from using its FY 2011 appropriations to provide funds to the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) or any of its subsidiaries. None of the funds provided under this agreement may be used for subawards/subgrants or contracts to ACORN or its subsidiaries. Recipients should direct any questions about this prohibition to their EPA Grants Management Office.

17. Payment to Consultants

Per 40 CFR Part 31.36(j), EPA's participation in the salary rate (excluding overhead and travel) paid to individual consultants retained by recipients or by a recipient's contractors or subcontractors shall be limited to the maximum daily rate for a Level IV of the Executive Schedule, to be adjusted annually. The Federal Executive Schedule (i.e., Salary Table) is located at: http://www.opm.gov/oca/
This limit applies to consultation services of designated individuals with specialized skills and if the terms of the contract provide the recipient with responsibility for the selection, direction, and control of the individuals who will be providing services under the contract at an hourly or daily rate of compensation. This rate does not include overhead or travel costs and the recipient may pay these in accordance with its normal travel practices.

Subagreements with firms or individuals for services which are awarded using the procurement requirements in 40 CFR Part 31, are not affected by this limitation unless the terms of the contract provide the recipient with responsibility for the selection, direction, and control of the individuals who will be providing services under the contract at an hourly or daily rate of compensation. See 40 CFR Part 31.36(j)(2).

18. Procurement

The recipient will ensure all procurement transactions will be conducted in a manner providing full and open competition consistent with EPA regulations under 40 CFR Part 30.43, 31.36 or 35.6555, as applicable. In accordance with 40 CFR Part 30.45, 31.36(f) or 35.6585, as applicable, the grantee and subgrantee(s) must perform a cost or price analysis in connection with every procurement action, including contract modifications.

Programmatic Conditions

- P1. The U.S. EPA will be substantially involved in overseeing and monitoring this cooperative agreement. Involvement includes, but is not limited to: reviewing and providing technical advice/consultation on the management of the NHOU groundwater treatment system. Providing intense programmatic monitoring by reviewing, commenting, and/or providing prior approval of specific work plan activities and/or project phases and their associated costs; joint collaboration between EPA and the recipient; providing technical assistance in developing curriculum; and participating as speaker(s) or instructor(s)). Specific details are contained in the approved work plan.
- P2. The recipient agrees to submit to the EPA Project Officer budget and progress reports quarterly, and then monthly reports on the environmental data collected from the NHOU remedy.
- P3. In accordance with 40 C.F.R. §35.6650, the recipient agrees to submit to the EPA Project Officer performance reports within 30 days after the end of each fiscal quarter. These reports will include brief information on each of the following areas: 1) a comparison of actual accomplishments to the outputs/outcomes established in the assistance agreement work plan for the period; 2) the reasons for slippage if established outputs/outcomes were not met; and 3) additional pertinent information, including, when appropriate, analysis and formation of cost overruns or high unit costs.

In accordance with 40 C.F.R. § 35.6650, the recipient agrees to inform EPA as soon as problems, delays or adverse conditions become known which will materially impair the ability to meet the outputs/outcomes specified in the assistance agreement work plan.

P4. EPA may terminate the assistance agreement for failure of the recipient to make sufficient progress so as to reasonably ensure completion of the project within the project period, including any extensions. EPA will measure sufficient progress by examining the performance required under the workplan in conjunction with the milestone schedule, the time remaining for performance within the project period, and/or the availability of funds necessary to complete the project.

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